

U. S. Soldiers Home (Old Soldiers Home),
Quarters 1
Entrance at Rock Creek Church Road
and Upshur Street, NW
Washington
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE District of Columbia		COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) U. S. Soldiers Home, Quarters 1			HABS NO. DC-353-A
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Old Soldiers Home, Quarters 1			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Entrance at Rock Creek Church Road and Upshur Street, NW			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1852-1854		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Lt. Barton S. Alexander	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Soldiers Home established by Congress in 1851. Quarters 1 one of the earliest buildings in the complex.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Italianate and Gothic Revival Motifs			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Marble facing			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 5-bay facade; gable roof; 2½-story; projecting entrance pavilion; 1-story porch			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE steep gables on entrance pavilions; decorative hood moulds over windows; bracketed cornice.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Condition in 1975 appeared good.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Schwartz, Nancy B. Historic American Buildings Survey District Of Columbia Catalog, 1974. Listed as National Historic Landmark.			
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